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We are submitting herewith the following:

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### PATENT APPLICATION

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## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

The Applicant submits this response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed October 15, 2003, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response. A Petition to Extend the period for responding to the Office Action by 2 months, from January 15, 2004 to March 15, 2004 is submitted herewith.

Claims 1-10 remain pending in the application. No claims have been amended, canceled, or added. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.